

SHOT BY HIS PARTNER.

The Fatal Wound Received by
Albert H. Beal of Boston.

A. P. Fickett Says He Mistook Him for a Thief and Fired His Revolver.

Terrible Tragedy in a Stateroom on
the Steamer Bristol.

FALL RIVER, April 30.—Albert H. Beal and A. J. Pickett, of the firm of Pickett & Beal, dealers in spices, Boston, occupied a state-room together in the steamer Bristol of the Fall River line from New York to this city last night. Soon after midnight Pickett awoke, and, going to the window, opened the blinds. The noise aroused Beal, who thought some one was trying to force his way in, and on that impulse, half-awakened as he was, he took his revolver from under his pillow and fired. The bullet entered Pickett's forehead and passed out at the back of his head. He lived only about an hour. On the arrival of the boat here Beal was given to the police, and is now at the Central Station. He will be taken to the United States Court in Boston for trial.

Henry B. Beckman's Career for Eight Years—Attempting to Wreck a Train and Stealing Schooners and Horses.
NEWBURYPORT, April 30.—[In November, 1879, Henry F. Beckman of Seabrook was sent to State prison for the term of two years, for obstructing the Eastern railroad, by piling several ties on the track near Salisbury. Notwithstanding he had already served a term of two years in the State prison for the same offense, he was sentenced to this time, and he was pardoned out before his time expired, and at once continued his criminal career by horse stealing in New Jersey and Pennsylvania. In the fall of 1879 he stole a team from a live stable in Gloucester and sold it in Exeter, where it was recovered. Beckman escaped, but was arrested in Baltimore in March, 1880, by Sheriff Kent and returned to Portsmouth. He was again sentenced to the State prison, and to State prison for a term of three years, and his time has recently expired. Since then he has been

operating in Massachusetts, the sheriff of Rockingham county having heard of him at Northampton and Westboro as a horse thief. Last Wednesday morning he was taken into custody by Sheriff Charles Currier. Sheriff Kent at once suspected Beckman, and upon investigation found that he was in that county within two days of his escape from the name of Roberts, that night. Saturday evening the sheriff received information that Beckman had been seen in the woods near the town of Haverhill, and notified Deputy Sheriff Woodman of that place by telephone. Neither the sheriff nor woodman was in the town at that time, but the deputy was not idly about daylight, earlier than was anticipated. He went there to collect some money from a man who was said to have been in the woods when pursued, and it is supposed that he went to Haverhill. The sheriff notified the Haverhill police, and they were on the look out for his inclinations running principally to horse stealing. In 1879 he hired a crew and stole a schooner from the coast of Maine, and was afterwards captured and sold all her rigging and escaped arrest. Henry F. Beckman is about 26 years of age; 5 feet 11 inches tall, weighs 160 lbs., has a nose that is considerably tanned brown; has a finger or thumb cut off; has ink figures on back of hands or arms; has a scar on forehead, and a scar on right knee; says his arrest is only a question of time.

understood that the object of his visit here was to confer with State Department officials on the subject of the proposed land operations in which he is interested. From Colonel Linderman it is learned that Hazelton of the German government wishes to obtain 10,000,000 acres of land in Mexico, where a German colony is being established. Colonel Linderman says, realizes the fact that the German people cannot be prevented from going to the United States, and that the immigrants to go to the United States, where they will become naturalized citizens of this country, they will have no other means of return to those who emigrate to retain their allegiance to the imperial government. The German government is offering to pay for the land through an agent in New York, representing the owners of the Bustamant grant in the State of Texas, who is offering to sell the land for \$250,000 per acre. The price paid was \$250,000 for the entire tract.

Colonel Linderman says he will go to New York to close an agreement for another tract of 1,000,000 acres. It is the desire of the German government to purchase the land in Mexico as cheaply as possible, and negotiations will be begun for the purchase of territory in the State of Texas, where the land to be acquired domain may be located. Zeacates is in the central part of Mexico, north-east of the city of Mexico.

Colonel Linderman does not think that any international question can arise between the United States, Germany and Mexico that will prevent the German government from carrying out its plan. Mr. Blaine's opinion on this question should be sought, he would possibly advise to the contrary.

A VERY STRANGE PLOT.

Buying a Body and Burying a House Over

It To Cheat an Insurance Company.

DANVILLE, April 30.—William T. Dodson of this city has been arrested at Franklin, Virginia, on suspicion of having murdered the negro whose body was found in the house which was partly destroyed by fire here.

Dodson says that he hired two negroes to bring in the body for dissection, pretending that he was a doctor. He took them to the second or third upper room of the house, of which he was the only occupant, wrapped it in bedclothing, poured kerosene over it, placed a bedstead on the floor and when they went away.

His mistake, he says, was in cutting the candle wick. He did not make fire during the night, it being his purpose to burn the house and have it appear that he himself had been burned in it. He had a life insurance policy that he recently procured.

The Bible Washington Kissed.

NEW YORK, April 30.—St. John's Lodge, No. 1, of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of this State, occupied the commandery hall at Washington last evening. The third degree was conferred, with elaborate ceremonies. The Bible on which the ceremony was performed was kissed by the President of the United States, and other historic relics, were used on the occasion.

Dying in the Sight of Hundreds.

PATERSON, N. J., April 30.—William Jacobus, a boy of 16, started Wednesday to cross Dundee bridge over the dam. He succeeded in getting on the bottom of the boat on the rocks and there froze to death. It took the rescuers nearly two and a half hours to get him out. A score of unsuccessful

Enormous Booms in Wisconsin.
MELVILLE, Wis., April 30.—It is estimated that about 65,000,000 feet of logs have gone to the mills of Wisconsin, and 400,000 of the Black River, where the winter's cut is estimated at 100,000,000 feet. But 25,000,000 feet have been cut, and the remainder of the 400,000,000 feet were cut, but only 50 per cent. have been sent out.

Cowhided Fifteen Times in Six Years.
LE MARS, Ia., April 30.—Charles F. Leddy, editor of the Liberal, was severely cowhided by Charles Brandon, editor of the Iowa Free Press, on Wednesday. The cowhiding was the fourth time in six years that he has been cowhided.

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